

Horsham Liberal Democrats

2026 AGM Financial Report

Accounts

The accounts for 2025 are for information only. They were approved by the executive at the beginning of the year and had to be with the Electoral Commission over 6 months ago.

Expenditure

The largest single area of expenditure is always on elections – primarily leaflets. This year we had the County Council elections and spent almost £20000. The results were good of course but good results cost money. There were also other leaflets of course.

The progress that the party has made over the last few years is reflected in the fact that we now have an office (shared with our MP!) and a part-time organiser. In reality, this is also indirect election spending. Our effectiveness and efficiency have certainly improved but we are likely to spend about £25000 on what might be termed Office and Administrative matters this calendar year.

Income

Our income consists almost entirely of donations. The bulk of these come from our Councillors on HDC and WSCC. We need to increase our income substantially if we are to continue to fight elections with the same degree of activity.

It seems we will have HDC elections next year and, very likely, Unitary Council elections the year after. We will also have to contribute to a Mayoral Campaign at some stage. The next General Election campaign will also have to be funded.

Donations

We have no mega donors (but let me know if you want to be the first!) and no trade union financial backers.

Donors must be individuals on the electoral register or UK registered companies doing business in the UK. We do not accept crypto currency.

Bob Wheatcroft – Treasurer Horsham Liberal Democrats